

Senate Resolution 633

By: Senator Adelman of the 42nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the Renfroe Middle School climate change project participants for winning
2 first place at the Georgia Conservancy 2009 Youth Environmental Symposium; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Youth Environmental Symposium (YES) is a state-wide competition
5 dedicated to developing knowledgeable, dedicated, and interested students who are keenly
6 aware of environmental issues that awards grant prizes to the top student-led projects; and

7 WHEREAS, the Renfroe Middle School participants hosted the Second Annual Global
8 Warming Action Conference to create awareness of climate change in their community; and

9 WHEREAS, the team created their own infomercials, assessed and described global warming
10 impacts in specific communities, performed experimental demonstrations on the effects of
11 greenhouse gases, conducted carbon footprint calculations, and created slide shows and
12 brochures on the consequences of global warming; and

13 WHEREAS, the students also created the Aqua Vita project in which they taught their peers
14 about the drought around the world and the difficulties citizens of many countries have in
15 obtaining clean drinking water; and

16 WHEREAS, during the two years the team has held the Global Warming Action Conference,
17 they have had over 300 attendees, and this year they awarded door prizes such as fluorescent
18 light bulbs and canvas shopping bags; and

19 WHEREAS, under the great leadership and guidance of their sponsor teacher, Cindy Tarrant,
20 the amazing work of this incredible team of sixth graders was judged in the final round
21 against ten schools from around this state, eight of which were high school teams; and

22 WHEREAS, the first place winning team included Annie Grigni, Emily Schuelke, Daysha
23 Wall, Abigail Deweerth, Katie Neil, Noel Hamilton, Jenna Hanes, Bella Reiss, Anna
24 Marianchuk, Grace Kendrick, Malik Dufor, Zoey Laird, Mirina Garoufalidis, McKenzie
25 Rhone, Rebecca Huh, Katie Lyle, Acacia Scott, Bella Henry, Nylah Richardson, and Ruby
26 Lewis; and

27 WHEREAS, these innovative and resourceful students demonstrated an incredible degree of
28 knowledge, communication skill, and risk-taking tolerance, and they have each brought
29 honor to their families, school, community, and the State of Georgia.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 congratulate the Renfro Middle School climate change project participants for winning first
32 place at the Georgia Conservancy 2009 Youth Environmental Symposium and extend to
33 them their sincerest best wishes for the future.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Cindy Tarrant.